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Letter dated 22 February 1995 from the Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you, in English and Chinese, the statement of the Chinese Government on the security assurance to Kazakhstan, issued on 8 February 1995.

I would be grateful if you could make arrangements to have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 68 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) LI Zhaoxing
Permanent Representative

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Annex

STATEMENT OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT ON SECURITY ASSURANCE TO KAZAKHSTAN DATED 8 FEBRUARY 1995

China fully understands the desire of Kazakhstan for security assurance. The Chinese Government has unconditionally undertaken not to use or threaten to use nuclear weapons against non-nuclear-weapon States or nuclear-weapon-free zones. This long-standing principled position also applies to Kazakhstan. The Chinese Government urges all other nuclear-weapon States to undertake the same commitment so as to enhance the security of all non-nuclear-weapon States, including Kazakhstan.

Abiding by the spirit of the Sino-Kazakhstani joint communiqué on the establishment of diplomatic relations in January 1992, the Sino-Kazakhstani joint communiqué of February 1992 and the joint statement on the bases of Sino-Kazakhstani friendly relations of October 1993, China respects the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Kazakhstan and stands ready to develop further the Sino-Kazakhstani friendly relations of cooperation on the basis of the five principles of peaceful coexistence.